

Schedule for the week of March 4-10, 2018. (A complete listing of meetings/events is posted by the church office door. Please check this listing to verify in which room your meeting/event is. Due to conflicting requests, you may not be assigned the room you requested.)

Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Faces of Christ-Library
	10:30 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Living Room
	10:45 a.m.	5 th Grade Celebration of Communion-Luther Hall
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Prayer & Praise-Library
	6:45 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Onward EP Board Meeting-Library
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
	12:30 p.m.	Game Day-Library
	7:00 p.m.	Altar Guild Meeting-Sacristy
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Library
	12:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship-Fellowship Hall
	5:00-9:00 p.m.	Wednesday @ Immanuel following Lenten Schedule Dinner: Chicken & Beef Tacos
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship-Sanctuary
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square
	1:30 p.m.	Evangelism Committee-Pr. Paul's Office
	5:00 p.m.	Serving at Loaves and Fishes
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Casual Worship-Sanctuary

Assisting Today:

	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 9:15 a.m.	Sunday 10:45 a.m.
Acolytes	Elyse Marschke	Kai Nelson Clara Severson	Bode Springer Ben VanSloun	Ryan D'Costa Alex Moroney
Greeters		Dave & Bev Lohs	Andre & Ryan Good	Linda Brown
Ushers	Dan Vickmark	Alan & Stacy Skjefte	Paul Wyman Gary Hammer	Tom Brown Derek Lindberg
Lectors		Bev Lohs	Barbara Link	Brenda Tonjes
Communion	Darlene Wallin	Dave & Bev Lohs	David & Gay Ludvig Tammy Vergeront Lorraine Maenke Clare Kooiman	Deb Preece Brenda Tonjes Paul & Melanie Carroll
Nursery			Mary Shurson	
Welcome Center	Trudy Johnson			
Altar Guild	Eldri Johnson/Darla Nemeč/Shirley Truempi/Connie Cadden/Mary Gale/Tammy Vergeront			
Counters	Ken Ericson/David Carter			
Coffee	Wendy & Bryan Wurscher/Mindy Johnson			
Treats	Lorraine Maenke/Meredith Holm/Tamara Gambino			

To preserve the sanctity of our worshipping space, we prefer that you finish your beverages in the atrium, rather than bringing them into the sanctuary. Thank you!

Large-print Bibles available. In the back of the sanctuary we have a few large-print Bibles available for your use.

Wednesday @ Immanuel Schedule in Lent

5:00-6:00 p.m. Wednesday Cafe - Dinner, Atrium
 5:30-6:00 p.m. Cornerstone Choir
 6:00-6:50 p.m. Praise Ringers
 6:05-6:50 p.m. Ascension Choir, Epiphany Choir, Confirmation
 6:15-6:50 p.m. Adult Faith Formation – Table Talk
 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship
 7:50 p.m. Reformation Choir; Servant Song

Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 8:00, 9:15, 10:45 a.m.
 Wednesday: 12:00 and 7:00 p.m.



Welcome

March 3 & 4, 2018

Welcome! It is a joy to have you worship with us at Immanuel.

- **Holy Communion:** As we celebrate Holy Communion today, anyone seeking the forgiveness of Christ is welcome to receive the bread and the wine. If you would like the Pastor to bring communion to you, please sit in an aisle seat and let an usher know. We invite every child of God to share in this meal. Everyone who comes forward for communion and holds out their hands will receive the bread and wine. Parents, we encourage you to determine how your child/children can participate in this meal of God's love and grace through your direction and example.
- **Children in Worship:** We welcome and encourage all children to be in worship. Nursery is available for children under age three during all services on Sunday. A room dedicated for nursing mothers is also available in the nursery. Children's Rainbow Activity Bags and Children's Bulletins may be picked up by the west doors of the sanctuary. Please make sure all materials are returned to the bag prior to putting it back on the Rainbow Bag Tree.
- **More information:** Stop by the Welcome Center located in the atrium, use the gold insert and check the appropriate box or go to www.immanuel.us. Please worship with us again.

Immanuel's Values:

- Loving God and one another
- Intentional faith development and expression
- Active service in the community
- Practicing transformative generosity

We ask prayers of comfort, strength, healing, and thanksgiving for:

(Please let us know when you have a prayer request. You can call the pastor or write it on your gold sheet. Your request will be listed for three weeks. Please let us know if you would like to have it listed longer.)

- Families dealing with many life issues with children.
- John Swanberg, upcoming total knee arthroplasty. Prayers for successful surgery and healing.
- Aaron & Kate Kastner, for matching meeting for adoption. Prayers for peace and comfort during this process and for a match.
- Monica B, friend of Sandra Davis. Prayers of thanksgiving for cancer being in remission.
- Daryl Hanson, broken fibula. Prayers for healing and patience.
- Trey Gustafson, grandson of Sharon Peterson's friend. Prayers that white blood cell count goes back to normal.
- Peter G., team member of Jeanne Roudabush, critically ill. Prayers for his progress and family's strength.
- Wilbur Gjersvik, lung cancer. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Caroline Nelson, receiving radiation for recurring brain tumor. Prayers for successful treatment.
- All seeking employment. Prayers that they find fulfilling and meaningful work.
- Molly Brown, brain cancer. Prayers for healing.
- Abby Farniok, stroke/leukemia. Prayers for healing, comfort and strength.
- Don Sarles, ALS. Prayers for strength and comfort.

Flowers in the church today are given in thanks to God by:

- Melanie & Paul Carroll in grateful anticipation of Spring!
- Bev Ottum in honor of the wonderful, talented, inspiring youth of Immanuel.

A rose has been placed on the altar to celebrate the birth of:

- Finley Hope Stringer, daughter of Katie and James Stringer. Finley was born February 21.

The season of Lent has begun. Join us for worship on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon or 7:00 p.m. Wednesday noon worship is in Fellowship Hall and is followed by a soup luncheon and fellowship. Evening worship meets in the sanctuary and includes the music of Holden Evening Prayer. Both services will include Holy Communion each week.

Lent. A time to pray, contemplate, spend some quiet time with God. Come to Immanuel's library to select a book that might help center you or guide your thoughts in your quiet time of devotion or prayer. On display on the small shelf are several books that might help you. If you don't find a book to your liking on display, check out the Prayer and Devotion sections on the book cases on the left side of the room, or other books by Max Lucado on the Favorite Authors shelf on the right. May your Quiet Time with God during Lent be a faith-growing time this year.

SERVICE MINISTRY

Lenten Service Project to Support Lutheran World Relief. Assemble Personal Care Kits for families in need around the world. Simple items – a soap, a towel, a toothbrush – can offer hope for families coping with war, poverty and disaster.

What to Include: *All items should be new and in good condition.*

- 1 light-weight bath-size towel, dark color
- 2-3 bars soap to total 8-9 oz in original wrapping
- 1 adult-size toothbrush in original packaging
- 1 sturdy comb, remove packaging
- 1 metal nail clipper (attached file optional), remove packaging

Wrap all the items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Bring completed Care Kits to Immanuel by Easter!

Taste of Tanzania Tour Feb 14-23, 2019. Join Kim and Martin Rathjen on a trip to Tanzania to visit Immanuel’s Missionaries Dr. Steven and Jodi Swanson. Learn about their life-changing work training people in health care practices, visit other organizations with Lutheran roots working in Arusha, and go on safari to experience God’s amazing creation! Details and registration info is available at www.immanuel.us/adults/kilimanjaro-tanzania or at the Welcome Desk.

Camp Noah. Immanuel will be sending a Camp Noah Team to Chetek, WI the week of June 17-22. Last May Chetek experienced an F3 tornado that stayed on the ground for over 2 hours and 80 miles. Camp Noah is a faith-based day camp for children who have been impacted by natural disaster to help them learn resiliency skills and to aid in the recovery process after a trauma. Team members must be 16 years or older. The cost to join the team is \$225. Contact kim@immanuel.us for registration details.

EP Congregations Clean Energy Forum. Sunday, March 11, 1:30-4 p.m. at Pax Christi. The free event will feature Speaker Paul Douglas. Learn about simple actions you can take to save energy and money and to meet our city’s energy goals. Contact gena.gerard@icloud.com for more information.

Habitat for Humanity, Saturday, March 17. Could you help on Saturday March 17, for a Habitat home at the Panel Plant in Minneapolis? Volunteers needed for the construction team, to bring food, take photos, or make phone calls. No experience required. Minimum age 16 for construction volunteers. Not only do we build a home, we build community, putting our faith into action. To sign up, contact Ruth Lunde at lundeworld@yahoo.com or Lynn Swanson at 952-974-1689.

Thrivent Policy Holders: If you have a policy that earns Choice Dollars, you must direct your 2017 Choice Dollars by March 31, 2018.

ADULT MINISTRY

Check out the new opportunity sponsored by SALT (seniors actively living today). We will host an afternoon of Theology and Coffee on Thursday, March 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the church’s Living Room. You need not be a SALT member to attend. The topic of this conversation will be “Reflections on Our Resurrection Hope” and will be facilitated by Pastor Paul. No need to sign up; just come be a part of the discussion.

Faces of Christ Bible Study. During the season of Lent you are invited to gather with Kim Rathjen on five Sunday mornings for a study that will help us dive more deeply into who Jesus is *for* us, *with* us and *among* us today. This interactive, small-group-based study will help you to meet and get to know your brothers and sisters in Christ, both here and afar. Sundays, February 18-March 18, 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the library

“TABLE TALK” Wednesday nights 6:15-6:45 p.m. During our “bridge” time between dinner and worship throughout Lent, come join us for conversation over coffee in the atrium, where we’ll gather for a brief devotion (from *You Are the Way*) and informal conversation around how faith and life connect. See you at the table!

Game Day March 6 at 12:30 p.m. in the Library. Come spend an afternoon with friends, fellowship and fun.

Altar Guild Meeting March 6 at 7:00 p.m. by the Altar Guild Room.

Six-week yoga series Tuesdays, March 13-April 17 at 7:00 p.m. in Luther Hall. Tara has been practicing yoga since 2011 to feel grounded, centered, and connected to a higher purpose. Though trained in vinyasa, Tara practices a wide variety of yoga styles and incorporates breath, mindfulness, and ease in her classes. This candlelit, slow flow will encourage you to slow down, let go, and be present. Cost for the six-week session is \$45.

SALT Learn & Grow Event, Thursday, March 22, 9:30 a.m. Join Dr. David Anderson and his wife, Gloria, for a discussion on intentionally making daily life experiences, celebrations and transitions into faith journey experiences. Sign up at the Registration Desk or on the gold sheet.